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Title:

A FAMILY OF TRANSCRIPTIONAL CO-REPRESSORS THAT INTERACT

WITH NUCLEAR HORMONE RECEPTORS AND USES THEREFOR

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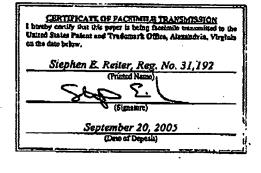
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2005, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are included in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this communication.

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phrase 'suitable stringency conditions' are unclear." (See page 8, lines 9-10 of the Office Action). As discussed above, one of skill in the art, given the fact that hybridization is a widely used technique, taken together with the context provided by the present claims (i.e., the comparative sequence information which clearly identifies those polynucleotides which fall within the scope of the present claim and those which are outside the scope of the present claim), one of skill in the art could readily identify "suitable" hybridization conditions to accomplish the desired goal.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection of claims 5, 14, 16, 18 and 23-25 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and favorable action on all claims are respectfully requested. In the event any matters remain to be resolved in view of this communication, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned so that a prompt disposition of this application can be achieved.

Respectfully submitted,

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